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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4) and § 1.98) AND
STATEMENT OF RELATEDNESS (Under M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b))**

Sir:

The Examiner is requested to consider the references noted on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A during examination of the above-identified patent application. The references are submitted for the Examiner's consideration and are submitted pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. In submitting the references, no representation is made or implied that the references are or are not material to the examination of the application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(h). The Examiner is requested to review all cited references and is encouraged to make his or her own determination of materiality of all cited references on attached Form PTO/SB/08A. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent references are not provided, unless required by the Office. Copies of the foreign patent documents are provided herewith.

The following foreign references are not in the English language:

- (1) DE 40 03 871 A1;
- (2) DE 41 00 066 A1; and
- (3) DE 43 37 874 A1.

Therefore, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i), an English translation of the Abstract (from Derwent at esp@cenet Database – Worldwide located at

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<http://ep.espacenet.com>), is attached to each of these references, which are enclosed, to satisfy the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance.

Taiwan publication Nos. 559085 Y and 283956 Y are not in the English language. Therefore, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i), any information disclosure statement filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 shall include a concise explanation of the relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, of each patent, publication or other information listed that is not in the English language. The concise explanation may be either separate from the specification or incorporated therein.

The concise explanations for the above-referenced Taiwan publications are as follows:

Taiwan publication No. 559085 Y appears to depict in FIG. 3, in part, a treadmill with a roller coupled at one end of a bed frame.

Taiwan publication No. 283956 Y appears to depict in FIG. 2, in part, a treadmill with a roller coupled to one end of a bed frame.

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and as required by M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is requested to consider the following application owned by Assignee, Nautilus, Inc., of the present application and that may include subject matter similar to that of the present application:

(1) U.S. application No. 11/463,297, filed August 8, 2006 (Atty. Docket No. 1479/US/2) pending.

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If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the undersigned.

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